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SUBJECT: REPORTS OF THAI POW RELEASE

1. IN STORIES ABOUT THE TWO THAIS RELEASED MARCH 4, BY NVN, BANGKOK PAPERS HAVE REFERRED TO POSSIBLE FUTURE RELEASES. BANGKOK WORLD STATED THAT " RELIABLE MILITAY SOURCES SAID A LARGE NUMBER OF THAI PRISONERS OF WAR-- ESTIMATED TO BE AS MANY AS 300-- WILL BE RELEASED FROM CAPTIVITY SOON IN LAOS".

THE NATION QUOTED "HIGHLY AUTHORITATIVE SOURCES" AS STATING THAT A FLEET OF U. S. MILITARY TRANSPORT AIRCRAFT IS STANDING BY AT UDORN AND UBON TO PICK UP MORE THAN 500 THAI-- AND POSSIBLY SOME AMERICAN POW'S WHO WILL BE RELEASED BY THE PATHET LAO AND VC IN COMMUNIST- CONTROLLED AREAS IN STUNG TRENG AND KRATIE PROVINCES OF CAMBODIA.

2. WE DO NOT KNOW SOURCE OF THESE REPORTS , BUT PRESUME LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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